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Title: PUBLIC HUB EMPLOYING A TRUSTED AGENT TO
FACILITATE THE EXCHANGE OF COMMODITIES

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To: Box MISSING PARTS
Assistant Commissioner For Patents
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED**

Dear Sir:

This is being submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted issued on February 14, 2001 in connection with the above-identified application. The deadline for responding to the Notice is

April 14, 2001. Accordingly, this Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is being timely filed.

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted, applicants hereby submit the following:

- (a) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted;
- (b) A signed Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.63, which includes the application's serial number and filing date (4 pages);
- (c) An assignment of the above-identified patent application to International Business Machines Corporation, executed by Michael R. Crabtree, Suhwe Lee and Nancy Quek (1 page);
- (d) A Recordation Form Cover Sheet - Patents Only (in duplicate);
- (e) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to use Deposit Account 50-0510 (IBM) to charge the amount of \$130.00 large entity Surcharge Fee. A duplicate copy of this Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted is enclosed.

(f) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees, enumerated below, during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510 (IBM).

- (1) Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- (2) Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Any communication regarding this matter should be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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